

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Mark Raymond Hornak, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S6713–16 S6788**

Robert N. Scola, Jr., of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. **Pages S6713–16, S6788**

By 82 yeas to 17 nays (Vote No. EX. 169), Robert David Mariani, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S6716, S6788**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—170) **Pages S6716–17**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:29 p.m., until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6788.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMISSION ON WARTIME CONTRACTING IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the final report of the Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Frank Kendall, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, and Lieutenant General Brooks L. Bash, USAF, Director for Logistics, J4, Joint Staff, both of the Department of Defense; and Dov S. Zakheim, and Katherine V. Schinasi, both former Commissioners, Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

MARKET MICROSTRUCTURE

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine market micro-

structure, focusing on an examination of Exchange-Traded Funds (ETFs), after receiving testimony from Eileen Rominger, Director, Division of Investment Management, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Eric Noll, NASDAQ OMX, New York, New York; Noel Archard, BlackRock, Inc., Jersey City, New Jersey; and Harold Bradley, Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City, Missouri.

CONCUSSIONS AND THE MARKETING OF SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine concussions and the marketing of sports equipment, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey S. Kutcher, University of Michigan Department of Neurology, Ann Arbor; Ann C. McKee, Boston University School of Medicine, Bedford, Massachusetts; Mike Oliver, National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment, Overland Park, Kansas; Alexis Ball, Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Steven Threet, Tempe, Arizona.

NATIONAL PARKS BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine S. 544, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, S. 1083, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route of the Smoky Hill Trail, an overland trail across the Great Plains during pioneer days in Kansas and Colorado, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System, S. 1084, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the routes of the Shawnee Cattle Trail, the oldest of the major Texas Cattle Trails, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System, S. 1303, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish Fort Monroe National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 1325, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating sites in the Lower Mississippi River Area in the State of Louisiana as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1347, to establish Coltsville National Historical Park in the State of Connecticut, S. 1421, to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 1478, to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and S. 1537, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to accept from the Board of Directors of the National September 11 Memorial and Museum at the World Trade Center Foundation,

Inc., the donation of title to The National September 11 Memorial and Museum at the World Trade Center, after receiving testimony from William D. Shaddox, Acting Associate Director for Park Planning, Facilities, and Lands, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and Terrie Suit, Virginia Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security, Richmond.

OVERSIGHT: BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a joint oversight hearing with the Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health to examine the Brownfields Program, focusing on cleaning up and rebuilding communities, after receiving testimony from David R. Lloyd, Office Director, Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; Mayor Mick Cornett, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Elizabeth Spinelli, Hudson County Brownfields Program, Jersey City, New Jersey; Aaron Scheff, Idaho Brownfields Program, Boise; E. Evans Paull, National Brownfields Coalition, Baltimore, Maryland; and Marjorie Weidenfeld Buckholtz, Environmental Consulting Solutions, Potomac, Maryland.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1268, to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Government by providing for greater interagency experience among national security and homeland security personnel through the development of a national security and homeland security human capital strategy and interagency rotational service by employees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1409, to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 743, to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, with an amendment;

S. 237, to amend title 31, United States Code, to enhance the oversight authorities of the Comptroller General, with an amendment;

S. 1379, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative au-

thorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service, with an amendment;

S. 1487, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to establish a program to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1059, to protect the safety of judges by extending the authority of the Judicial Conference to redact sensitive information contained in their financial disclosure reports, with an amendment;

S. 384, to amend title 39, United States Code, to extend the authority of the United States Postal Service to issue a semipostal to raise funds for breast cancer research;

H.R. 2062, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45 Meetinghouse Lane in Sagamore Beach, Massachusetts, as the "Matthew A. Pucino Post Office";

H.R. 2149, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4354 Paho Avenue in Honolulu, Hawaii, as the "Cecil L. Heftel Post Office Building";

H.R. 1975, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 281 East Colorado Boulevard in Pasadena, California, as the "First Lieutenant Oliver Goodall Post Office Building";

S. 1412, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 462 Washington Street, Woburn Massachusetts, as the "Officer John Maguire Post Office";

H.R. 1843, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 489 Army Drive in Barrigada, Guam, as the "John Pangelinan Gerber Post Office Building"; and

The nominations of Ronald David McCray, of Texas, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, Corinne Ann Beckwith, and Catharine Friend Easterly, both to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and Ernest Mitchell, Jr., of California, to be Administrator of the United States Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Claude M. Steele, of New York, and Anneila I. Sargent, of California, both to be a Member of the

National Science Board, National Science Foundation, and Laura A. Cordero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, October 20, 2011.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Justice, and Susie Morgan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, who was introduced by Senator Landrieu, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

UNITED STATES-ANDEAN SECURITY COOPERATION

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine United States-Andean security cooperation, focusing on opportunities for increased United States counter-narcotics cooperation with Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia and Venezuela, including S. 1612, to provide the Department of Justice with additional tools to target extraterritorial drug trafficking activity, after receiving testimony from William R. Brownfield, Assistant Secretary for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, and Kevin Whitaker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, both of the Department of State; Rodney G. Benson, Assistant Administrator, Chief of Intelligence, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; and William F. Wechsler, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counternarcotics and Global Threats.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, October 21, 2011 in pro forma session.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on continuation of the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine the Group of Twenty (G20) and global economic and financial risks, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold an oversight hearing to ex-

amine shale gas production and water resources in the Eastern United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on United States military deployment to Central Africa, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider an original bill to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 8 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs, to hold hearings to examine accountability at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1262, to improve Indian education; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 134, to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights, S. 399, to modify the purposes and operation of certain facilities of the Bureau of Reclamation to implement the water rights compact among the State of Montana, the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana, and the United States, S. 1298, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, S. 1327, to amend the Act of March 1, 1933, to transfer certain authority and resources to the Utah Dineh Corporation, and S. 1345, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane